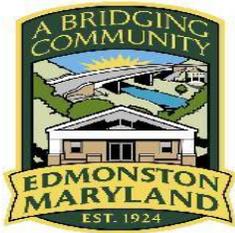


EDMONSTON NEWS



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Recent Legislative Actions by the Mayor and Council

November 13, 2013

1. Motion to approve Charter Resolution 13-01 Redistricting of wards. This in accordance with Supreme Court ruling: "one man, one vote" as further defined in Charter resolution CR-13-01, made by CM Pooley and second by CM White. Motion passed, Mayor Kerns in favor
2. Motion to table Ordinance 2013- OR-05 Re.: New traffic regulations on Decatur Street, until further research is done, made by CM Pooley, Second by CM Farrish. Motion passed, Mayor Kerns in favor
3. Motion to approve legislative minutes for the month of October 2013, made by CM Farrish and second by CM Bee. Motion passed, Mayor Kerns in favor

December 11, 2013

1. Authorization to issue request for proposals (RFP) from various engineering firms for a study on Decatur Street enhancements. CM Bee and second by CM Pooley. Motion passed, Vice Mayor Farrish in favor
2. Authorization to submit application for new Maryland Energy Administration grant-requesting purchase of hybrid vehicles. Motion made by CM Pooley and second by CM Bee. Motion passed, Vice Mayor Farrish in favor

3. Action on Resolution 2013-09, Re: Municipal Collaboration grant application for FY 2014 from MEA EmPOWER and DHCD Sustainable Communities. Motion made by CM Bee and second by CM Pooley. Motion passed, Vice Mayor Farrish in favor
4. Action on Resolution 2013-10 Re: Sustainable Community designation for the Port Towns area. Motion made by CM Pooley and second by CM Bee. Motion passed, Vice Mayor Farrish in favor
5. Action on Resolution 2013-11 Re: designation of Healthy Eating and Active Living Town. Motion made by CM Pooley and second by CM Bee. Motion passed, Vice Mayor Farrish in favor
6. Action to approve funding to hire a part time Assistant Town Clerk, as of February 1, 2014. Motion made by CM Bee and second by CM Pooley. Motion passed, Vice Mayor Farrish in favor
7. Approval of Minutes for the month of November 2013. Motion made by CM Pooley and second by CM Bee. Motion passed, Vice Mayor Farrish in favor

Edmonston Green Team

 Are you interested in saving our planet, helping the Anacostia, reducing our carbon footprint? If so, join us and be part of our Edmonston Green Team. All are welcome!

Next Meeting is at the Town hall on:
Wednesday, January, 15, 2014 @ at 7 PM

From the Mayor's Desk



Mayor Kerns was unable to attend our December meeting due to illness. Vice-Mayor Tracy Farrish Gant presided over meeting.

- The Town's annual Christmas party will be on December 19, at 6:00 pm at the Edmonston Rec. Center. In addition to having a great party, food and the presence of Santa Claus, the council is working very hard on giving back to the community.

This year we are having our 1st annual coat drive. Please send any light to moderate used coats to the Town Hall. These coats will be given on the day of the party to residents in need. Any remaining coats will be taken to a church for distribution. The drive continues until January 3rd.

We are also promoting "Stuff a Shoe Box." Council has been collecting items such as deodorants, hand sanitizers, shampoos, and soaps. These items of personal hygiene will be placed into shoe boxes and given to those residents that are in need. Assist us in helping those in need. Boxes will be gender and age oriented. Please help.

- The Vice Mayor also noted that the Town of Edmonston is an active member of the Maryland Municipal League, and the town is required to comply with certain tasks promoting municipal governments. We attend chapter meetings and discuss important matters that concern all towns in Prince George's County. We talk about municipal government and how it works in

schools and fly a flag during municipal government month among other things.

Desde el Escritorio del Alcalde

Alcalde Kerns no pudo asistir a nuestra reunión de diciembre debido a una enfermedad. La vicealcaldesa Tracy Farrish Gant llevo la cabo la reunión.

- Fiesta anual de Navidad de la Ciudad será el 19 de diciembre, a las 6:00 pm en el Edmonston Centro Recreacional. Además de tener una gran fiesta, la comida y la presencia de Santa Claus, el consejo está trabajando muy duro para retribuir a la comunidad.

Este año vamos a tener nuestra primera colecta de abrigos anual. Por favor, envíe cualquier ligero a moderado abrigos usados para el Ayuntamiento. Estos abrigos se darán el día de la fiesta a los residentes que lo necesiten. Los abrigos restantes serán llevados a una iglesia para su distribución. La colecta continúa hasta el 3 de enero.

También estamos promoviendo "cosas en caja de zapatos". El consejo ha logrado recopilar artículos tales como desodorantes, desinfectantes de manos, champús, jabones. Estos artículos de higiene personal serán colocados en cajas de zapatos y se les da a los residentes que están en necesidad. Ayúdanos a ayudar a los necesitados. Cajas estarán divididas por género y edad. Por favor, ayúdanos.

- Se informa también a todos los presentes que la ciudad de Edmonston es un miembro activo de la Liga Municipal de

Maryland. Como miembros la ciudad está obligada cumplir con ciertas tareas. Estas tareas están orientadas en la promoción de los gobiernos municipales. Asistimos a reuniones de los capítulos; discutir asuntos importantes y que afectan a todas las ciudades en el condado de Prince George. Hablamos de gobierno municipal y su funcionamiento en las escuelas y volar una bandera durante meses el gobierno municipal, entre otros.

Job Opening- Assistant Clerk

The Town of Edmonston is currently seeking a part - time assistant to the Town Clerk. This is an entry-level position of thirty hours a week. Duties include light typing, data entry, answering phones, and assisting the public on a daily basis. Minimum qualifications include High School diploma or equivalent and basic computer skills. Bilingual (Spanish) is a plus. Applicants must pass background investigation. Interested candidates should mail a resume and completed Town of Edmonston application by close of business January 10, 2014 to:

Attn: Town Clerk, Town of Edmonston, 5005 Edmonston, MD 20781. To obtain an employment application please email your request to townhall@edmonstonmd.gov

The Town of Edmonston is an Equal Opportunity Employer without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, marital status, age, sexual orientation, disability, political or union affiliation.

Note: This position may evolve into a permanent full time position with full benefits.



*May the spirit of the holidays
bring you peace and happiness
now and throughout the New Year*

From the members of the
Edmonston Police Department



Edmonston Police and Code Enforcement Activity;



the following is a list of activities officers initiated or in which they received a assistance for the month of November 2013.

Police Department Activity	November 2013	October 2013
Criminal & Traffic Arrests	3	7
Traffic Arrests (other than DWI)	2	1
Driving While Intoxicated Arrests	1	0
Maryland Moving Violations Issued	70	200
Parking Citations	100	68
Recovered Stolen Autos	1	1
Traffic Violation Warnings	53	73
Vehicle Impounds	27	58
Vehicle Safety Repair Orders	18	20
Warrant Service Arrest	0	3
(not all calls for service result in written reports)		
Calls for accidents	6	8
Armed Suspects	1	2
Assaults	1	1
Assist Fire Dept/Other Agency/Code Enforcement	21	25
Burglar Alarms	6	2
Breaking & Entering Residential	1	1
Breaking & Entering Commercial	0	0
Carjacking	0	0
Check on Welfare of Resident	1	3
Customer Dispute Call	9	6
Death Investigation Call	0	1
Disorderly Persons	3	6
Domestic Disturbance	2	1
Fight in Progress	0	2
Hold up Alarm	0	0
Homicide	0	0
Identity Theft	0	0
Juvenile Complaints	0	0

Landlord Tenant Dispute	2	1
Loud Noise Complaint	0	5
Robbery	0	0
Calls for Sounds of Gunshots	0	1
Stolen Auto	3	0
Suspicious Persons	7	7
Suspicious Vehicles	13	6
Theft Reports	0	4
Calls for Unknown Trouble	0	1
Vandalism	2	1
Calls for 911 Hang-ups	1	1
Miscellaneous	<u>17</u>	<u>27</u>
Total Calls for Service	96	112

Code Enforcement Activity

Code Enforcement Activity	November 2013	October 2013
Verbal Warnings Issued	18	16
Parking Tickets Issued	5	7
Municipal Citations Issued	0	0
Enforcement / Warning Letters or Notices Issued	4	3
Citizen Contact - Complaints or Assistance	4	10
Stop Work Orders Issued	0	0
Animal Complaints Investigated	5	7
Successful Compliances	9	14
Ongoing / Follow-up Investigations / Enforcement	5	9
Impounded Vehicles	0	0
Abatements	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Code Violations	27	26

From the Office of Chief of Police:

Recently the Prince George's County Police Department conducted a search warrant in Edmonston. The search of the residence resulted in four kilos of cocaine being recovered// The occupant of the residence has been charged with various drug offenses. One thing that is interesting to make note of here is that the Edmonston Police Department did not receive any calls for suspicious behavior in the area of this drug activity. We are very fortunate that the Prince George's County Police Department led the investigation resulting in the search warrant, arrest and recovery of this substantial amount of drugs.

Perhaps the people selling drugs were very discreet, and that is why no one noticed; however, they may have been successful because our residents do not know what to look for, or what suspicious drug activity looks like.

It is important to remember that most arrests for selling drugs are made because people like you report suspicious activity. You, our residents, are the eyes and ears of law enforcement. Without ordinary residents reporting suspicious behavior, most crimes would go undetected. We need your help in combating all crime.

I have included some tips below that will give you some idea of what to look for and what kinds of activity should be reported to the police. Please remember that police officers would rather respond to an incident and find out it is a false call, then not get the call and have crimes go undetected.

Suspicious activity that should be reported:

A. Possible Drug House:

- Frequent-short term foot traffic. It is common for drug users to park their vehicles down the street then walk up to the drug house. The stay at the suspected drug house is very brief, sometimes under ten minutes.
- People hanging around a house for long periods of time, running up to cars that pull up to the residence and having short term contact with the car.
- People hanging around the house when the tenant is not home.
- Windows in the house are closed or covered with shades; the house is kept dark at all times.
- Upkeep of the home and surrounding property is non-existent.
- House has been vacant for some time and is now occupied by different persons at all hours of the day or night.

B. Possible Street Corner Drug Sales:

- People flagging down cars.
- People stopping cars for a short period of time.
- People walking up and down the street for no apparent reason
- People stopping cars, contacting the occupants of the car, and then running to a hiding spot for their drugs and then back to the car for a hand-to-hand exchange.
- Cars meeting in the side streets for extremely short periods of time where an exchange takes place.
- Cars flashing headlights to each other for no apparent reason.



The Bladensburg Volunteer Fire Department reminds you:

The members of the Bladensburg Volunteer Fire Department would like to pass along the following;

- Remind everyone to check their smoke detectors before the holidays to ensure safety for all.
- Carbon monoxide detectors are a wise purchase for all homes.
- Use caution with space heaters and other form of heat that may or may not be safely used indoors.
- Watch the water level in your holiday tree stand; a dry tree is a dangerous fire hazard.
- Make sure you put any candles out that you may be burning before leaving or going to bed.
- Do not overload extension cords when decorating or at any other time and make sure they are in excellent condition at all times.

While we don't wish to take away from any of the other hard working Volunteer companies in this area, we would remind you that Bladensburg is your primary provider of Fire and EMS service to the Town of Edmonston

El Cuerpo de Bomberos de Bladensburg le recuerda:

Los miembros del Cuerpo de Bomberos Voluntarios de Bladensburg, les recuerdan lo siguiente:

- Recordar a todos, verificar sus detectores de humos antes de los días festivos para así cerciorar la seguridad para todos.
- Los detectores del monóxido de carbono son una compra sabia para todos
- Ser precavidos en cuanto el uso de los calentadores los hogares, cualquiera otra forma de calor que puede o no puede ser utilizada dentro de los hogares.
- Verifica el nivel del agua de su árbol. Un árbol seco es un riesgo de incendios peligroso.
- Cerciórese de que usted apague las velas que usted pueda estar quemando antes de irse a la cama.
- No sobrecargue las cuerdas de la extensión al adornar, y cerciórese de que están en condiciones excelentes.

Mientras que no deseamos quitar de un de los a otras compañías duras del voluntario del funcionamiento en esta área, le recordáramos que Bladensburg es su abastecedor primario del fuego y del servicio del Emergencia de Edmonston.



**Do you have coats you
don't need anymore?
*Please donate them!***

**¿Tendrás abrigos que no
necesitas?
*! Pues dónelas!***

Winter is here and there are people in our community who could use a nice warm coat.

El invierno está aquí y hay gente en nuestra comunidad que podrían utilizar un buen abrigo.

Between November and December there will be a box at the Town Hall available for you to donate your gently-used coats. Adult and children's coats in all sizes will be accepted.

Entre noviembre y diciembre habrá una caja disponible en la alcaldía para que usted pueda donar sus abrigos usados en buen estado. Se aceptarán abrigos de todos tamaños para adultos y niños.

These coats will be distributed to anyone in need during our holiday party on December 19.

Estos abrigos serán distribuidos a personas necesitadas durante nuestra Fiesta de Navidad el 19 de Diciembre.

Please only donate clean, reusable coats!

Por favor haga su donación de abrigos!



**COAT DRIVE
DONATE HERE**



**Happy
Holidays!**



RENTERS

Message from our Code Enforcement Officer

Are you renting a house or an apartment? Do you believe your landlord is not as responsive to your concerns or problems as you would like? Are you having problems with basic functions in your home like faucets, electrical, heat or AC, hot/cold water, bugs or rodents? Are you still having a problem with mosquitoes? Do you have concerns about parking, and excessive noise?



PLEASE contact us. If you have a problem with any of the above or even something that was not mentioned, WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Part of our Code Enforcement program is to assist you, our resident, and the best way that we can to insure you have a comfortable living environment. If you don't get the response to these problems that you deserve from your landlord we want to know so that we may assist you.

Everyone deserves a comfort level, as free as possible from the potential problems listed above, but we can't address them with a landlord if we don't know about them. We are here to help, call us and allow us to help you.

INQUILINOS

Un mensaje de nuestro Oficial de la Aplicación del Código

¿Usted está alquilando una casa o un apartamento? ¿Usted cree el propietario no está atento a sus preocupaciones o problemas como usted quisiera? ¿Tiene en su hogar problemas con el funcionamiento básico como los grifos goteando, eléctrico, calor o agua caliente/fría, los insectos o los roedores? ¿Usted tiene preocupaciones de estacionamiento, o ruido excesivo?

POR FAVOR, avísanos. ¡Si usted tiene un problema alguno de lo antes mencionado, o aún con algo que no fue mencionado DESEAMOS OÍR DE USTED!



Parte de nuestro programa de aplicación del código es asistir, a nuestros residentes, de la mejor manera para asegurar que tenemos un ambiente cómodo en donde vivir. Si usted no consigue la respuesta a estos problemas de parte del propietario, deseamos saber así ver de qué modo poderles ayudar.

Cada uno merece un nivel de comodidad, libre de problemas potenciales que están mencionados arriba, pero no pueden ser tratarlos con el propietario, si no sabemos sobre ellos. Estamos aquí para ayudarlos, llámenos y permítanos ayudarles.

Department of Public Works

Our Public Works Department would like to thank all residents who have cooperated in keeping vehicles out of the road way when there is a snow event.

During the last major storm our guys worked around the clock trying to maintain our streets' accessibility. Our 2 man crew went up to 3. (Did you know one of our Code Enforcers is also good at plowing snow?)

We ask that if your street has not been cleaned in a timely matter, let us know. Please be patient, we are doing everything possible to get to your area.

Our Public Works, Code Enforcement as well as Police Department are here to provide you service. Remember while you are warm in your homes, they are out in the cold, on the street working for you!



Departamento de Obras Públicas

Nuestro departamento de obras públicas quisiera dar las gracias a todos los residentes cómo han cooperado en mantener los automóviles fuera de la carretera, cuando hay un evento de nieve.

Durante la última tormenta, nuestro equipo trabajo alrededor del reloj tratando de mantener nuestras calles accesibles. Nuestro equipo compuesto por 2 hombres logro convertirse en uno de 3. (¿Sabías que uno de nuestros agentes de código también es bueno en arando nieve?)

Le pedimos que si no se ha limpiado su calle, háganoslo saber. Por favor, tenga paciencia, estamos haciendo todo lo posible llegar a su área.

Nuestros departamentos de Obras Publicas, de Aplicación de Código y el de la Policía están para servirles. Recuerde que mientras usted se mantiene calentito en su hogar ellos están en el frio y en la nieve ellos trabajando para ti.



Girls Youth Program

**Talented Young People
Moving On Inc.**

Girls from ages 10-15 with a great attitude, who are looking for a fun day ...

We will work out (walking), dance, sing, and do arts & crafts and play games

So come out and meet some new friends

Address...

EDMONSTON RECREATION
CENTER
5100 TANGLEWOOD DRIVE
EDMONSTON, MD. 20781

Right in the park

When: Sunday's from 1:00- 4:00 pm We will be there...

If interested please call or just come by...

Ms. Matilda McNeill (ma fanny)
(240-413-6168)

Programa para Chicas Jóvenes

**Talented Young People
Moving On Inc.**

Programas para niñas jóvenes entre las edades de 10-15 con una buena actitud, que están buscando un día de diversión...

Haremos ejercicios y caminatas, bailaremos, y cantaremos y haremos arte & manualidades, jugaremos mientras que conoces nuevas amiguitas.

Ven a compartir con nosotras en el:

CENTRO RECREATIVO de
EDMONSTON
5100 TANGLEWOOD DRIVE
EDMONSTON, MD. 20781

Estaremos en el parque los domingos desde la 1:00pm hasta las 4:00pm. Te esperamos

Si estás interesado por favor llamar o pasar por el centro.

Sra. Matilda McNeill - (fanny ma)
(240-413-6168) - (Ingles solamente)

*Important News from the Department of
Environmental Resources
Effective January 1, 2014*



Russell J. Baker, III
County Executive

Prince George's County
Department of Environmental Resources
Waste Management Division
Recycling Section



PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
**Department of
Environmental
Resources**

Adam Ortiz
Director

**Source
Reduction
Tips**

Grass Cycle: Use a mulching mower to finely
shred your mowed grass and leave it on the lawn.
Start a backyard compost pile.

**BROWN
IS THE NEW
GREEN**

Effective January 1, 2014,
Residential Curbside
Yard Waste Collection will
no longer be accepted in
plastic bags. Residents
should place yard waste
loose in a collection can
or use large yard waste
PAPER bags.

For more information, please call
County Click 311.

**or
CAN IT...**

Save money and use
reusable containers,
such as trash cans. Be
sure to clearly mark the
can/container

YARD WASTE

Town of Edmonston

Holiday Party

Thursday, December 19th, 2013 from
6:00pm to 9:00pm at the
Edmonston Rec. Center,
5100 Tanglewood Dr.
Edmonston, Maryland

Fiesta de Navidad

El Jueves, 19 de Diciembre de 2013 desde las
6:00pm hasta 9:00pm en la
Centro Recreativo de Edmonston
5100 Tanglewood Dr.
Edmonston, Maryland



Town of Edmonston



BATES
301-773-2069

BULK WASTE

Non-Recyclable used and Discarded
Bulky Items such As:

Furniture, carpets, mattresses, box
springs, stoves, space heaters, water
heaters

"White Goods"

Household appliances, automatic
dishwasher, washing machines,
dryers, air conditioners refrigerators,
freezers

Bulk Trash must be placed curbside
prior to 6:00 AM on Wednesday



Call Bates no later than 1:00
pm on Tuesday to schedule a
pickup for Wednesday

Llame a Bates el martes antes
de la 1:00pm para anotarse en la lista

RESIDUOS A GRANEL

Objetos voluminosos no reciclables
usados y descartables tales como:

Muebles, alfombras, colchones,
resortes de la cama, estufas,
calentadores de agua.

"Electrodomésticos"

Electrodomésticos, lavaplatos,
lavadoras, secadoras, refrigeradores,
congeladores, acondicionadores de aire
Basura a granel debe ser puesto en la
acera antes de las 6:00 am del Miércoles

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